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CURRENT MONTHLY DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY REGIONS

	March, 1980			March 31, 1980	
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks
	(Million Board Feet)				
SOFTWOOD LUMBER:					
Southern Pine Region	640	544	509	501	1,304
Douglas Fir Region	683	591	575	542	1,006
Western Pine Region	696	624	546	364	1,358
California Redwood Region	135	116	89	128	447
Other Softwoods	137	120	110	238	279
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,291	1,995	1,829	1,773	4,394
% Change - Feb., 1980	+ 1.2	-10.9	- 7.8	- 8.6	+ 7.2
% Change - Mar., 1979	-15.0	-25.6	-33.0	-27.3	+ 5.2
HARDWOOD LUMBER:					
Southern Hardwood Region	301	282	278	251	616
Appalachian Hardwood Region	77	67	64	*	*
Other Hardwoods	210	194	190	116	711
TOTAL HARDWOODS	588	543	532	367	1,327
% Change - Feb., 1980	- 7.4	- 8.0	-11.0	- 2.9	+ 3.5
% Change - Mar., 1979	- 3.0	- 7.5	- 3.4	-28.9	+56.7
TOTAL LUMBER	2,879	2,538	2,361	2,140	5,721
% Change - Feb., 1980	- 0.7	-10.3	- 8.5	- 7.6	+ 6.3
% Change - Mar., 1979	-12.8	-22.4	-28.0	-27.6	+13.9
* Included in Other Hardwoods					
FLOORING:	(Thousand Board Feet)				
Oak Flooring Region	--	5,832	--	3,655	8,933
Maple Flooring Region	2,079	1,935	1,337	9,215	1,825
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD:	(Thousand Square Feet 3/8" Basis)				
Total All Regions	1,477,499	1,213,083	987,609	560,263	386,388
% Change - Feb., 1980	- 1.0	-17.9	-23.1	-28.7	+35.2
% Change - Mar., 1979	-15.4	-29.8	-42.4	-51.4	-13.6

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

PRODUCTION

	Mar. '80	Percent Change From Feb. '80	Percent Change From Mar. '79
	(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine Reg.	7,478	- 0.7	-13.7
Douglas Fir Reg.	7,202	-16.1	-11.1
Western Pine Reg.	7,769	-11.4	-19.4
Calif. Redwood Reg.	1,525	-13.9	-15.7
Other Softwoods	1,549	-11.4	-15.4
Total Softwoods	25,523	-10.1	-15.0
Total Hardwoods	7,127	-12.6	- 3.0
TOTAL LUMBER.	32,650	-10.7	-12.7

SHIPMENTS

	Mar. '80	Percent Change From Feb. '80	Percent Change From Mar. '79
	(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine Reg.	6,067	-20.9	-30.3
Douglas Fir Reg.	6,441	-26.9	-21.6
Western Pine Reg.	6,953	-17.5	-24.5
Calif. Redwood Reg.	1,306	-26.2	-27.5
Other Softwoods	1,343	-21.9	-25.5
Total Softwoods	22,110	-22.2	-25.7
Total Hardwoods	6,332	-10.8	- 7.5
TOTAL LUMBER.	28,442	-19.9	-22.3

YEAR-TO-DATE DOMESTIC LUMBER PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

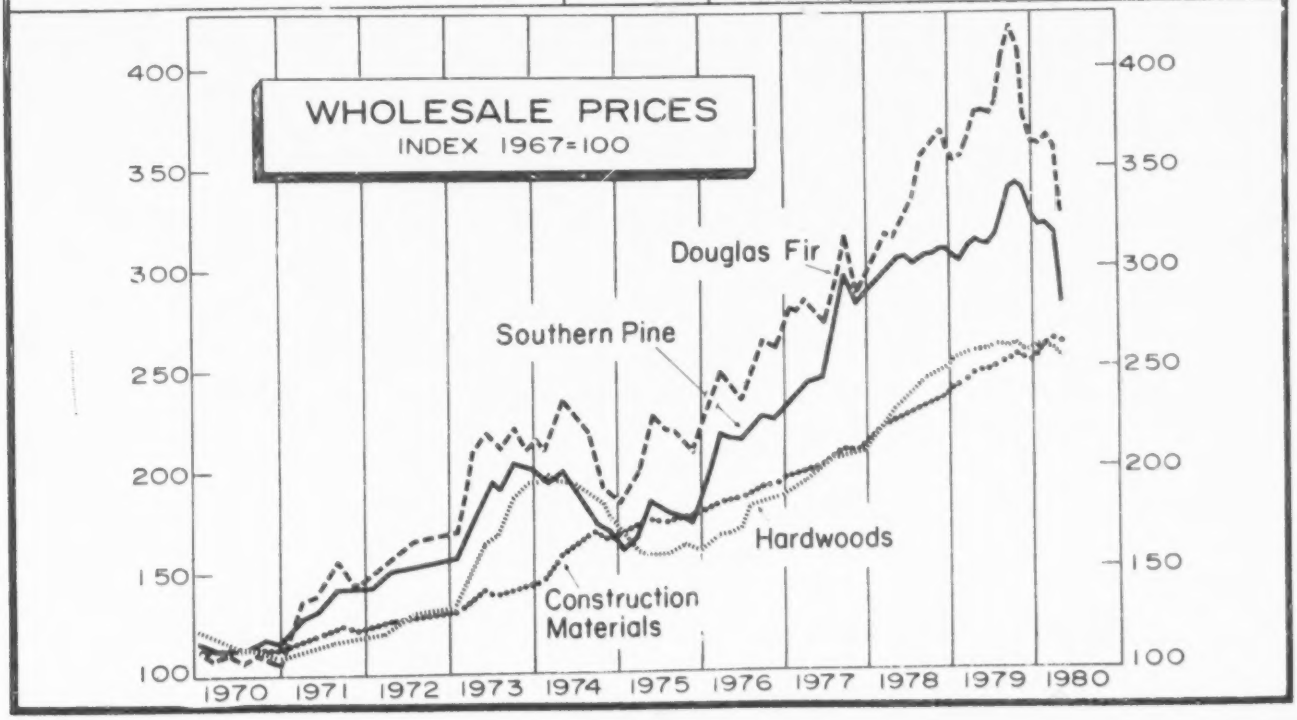
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)		
Total Lumber - 3 mos. '80	8,609	8,102	8,029
Total Lumber - 3 mos. '79	9,083	8,855	9,232
% Change	- 5.2	- 8.5	-13.0
Softwood Lumber - 3 mos. '80	6,724	6,373	6,312
Softwood Lumber - 3 mos. '79	7,326	7,149	7,578
% Change	- 8.2	-10.9	-16.7
Hardwood Lumber - 3 mos. '80	1,885	1,729	1,717
Hardwood Lumber - 3 mos. '79	1,757	1,706	1,654
% Change	+ 7.3	+ 1.3	+ 3.8

FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS

	Mar. '80	Percent Change From Feb. '80	Percent Change From Mar. '79	3 mos. '80	Percent Change From 3 mos. '79
		(Million Board Feet)			
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER IMPORTS					
Softwoods					
From Canada					
Other Sources					
Hardwoods		NOT	AVAILABLE		
From Canada					
Other Sources					
Other (not specified)					
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER EXPORTS	277.3	+54.0	+56.6	626.8	+27.5
Softwoods	231.5	+68.0	+58.2	503.7	+22.5
Hardwoods	36.5	+ 5.2	+33.2	98.4	+35.9
Other (not specified)	9.3	+ 4.5	+181.8	26.1	+226.3
TOTAL EXPORTS TO CANADA	72.6	+16.3	+28.0	182.9	+22.7

CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING STATISTICS

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Mar. '80	Feb. '80	Mar. '79	3 mos.'80	3 mos.'79
Value of all NEW CONSTRUCTION		(Millions of Dollars)			
Put in Place	16,709	+ 7.4	+ 5.6	48,731	+12.6
Private	13,226	+ 8.0	+ 2.8	38,446	+10.0
Residential	6,418	+ 7.7	- 6.5	18,945	+ 0.6
Nonresidential & Other	6,808	+ 8.3	+13.6	19,501	+20.9
Public	3,483	+ 5.3	+17.4	10,285	+23.8
	Apr. '80	Mar. '80	Apr. '79	4 mos.'80	4 mos.'79
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED		(Thousands of Units)			
Total Private & Public Starts	95.5	+10.9	-40.8	335.6	-31.2
New Private Starts	95.1	+11.8	-40.9	333.2	-31.5
Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rates	1,019	- 2.1	-41.8		
One-Family Housing Starts	61.2	+18.4	-49.5	212.1	-39.0
(Proportion of Total Starts)	64.1			63.2	
	Mar. '80	Feb. '80	Mar. '79	3 mos.'80	3 mos.'79
BUILDING PERMITS AUTHORIZED		(Millions of Dollars)			
All Private Construction	6,747	+ 3.6	-23.3	19,442	- 4.8
New Housing Units	3,114	+ 8.6	-39.2	8,714	-20.9
New Nonresidential	2,096	- 9.8	-23.4	6,635	- 6.8
Additions and alterations	1,449	+17.3	+65.4	3,818	+82.3
		(Number of Units)			
Shipments of MOBILE HOMES	19,200	+ 2.1	-18.6	56,100	- 8.8



ECONOMIC INDICATORS

U. S. LUMBER CONSUMPTION	CURRENT			YEAR - TO - DATE	
	Latest Period Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	QIV '79	QIII '79	QIV '78	12 mos.'79	12 mos. '78
	(Million Board Feet)				
Total	10,627	-12.5	-10.8	45,937	- 4.8
Softwoods	8,981	-13.4	-11.6	39,009	- 5.9
Hardwoods	1,646	- 7.1	- 6.1	6,928	+ 1.9

Total EMPLOYMENT - (Seasonally Adjusted)	Apr. '80	% Change From Mar. '80	% Change From Apr. '79
	(Thousands of Employees)		
All Industries	90,320	- 0.5	+ 1.4
All Manufacturing Industries	20,615	- 1.3	- 2.1
Lumber and Wood Products	685	- 6.0	-10.0
Furniture and Fixtures	477	- 0.8	- 2.7

WHOLESALE PRICES	Apr. '80	% Change From Mar. '80	% Change From Apr. '79
	(Index - 1967 = 100)		
All Commodities	262.3	+ 0.3	+14.2
All Construction Materials	262.1	- 0.9	+ 5.0
Lumber and Wood Products	275.2	- 6.9	- 9.6
All Lumber	310.1	- 9.0	-12.7
Softwood Lumber	323.4	-10.8	-15.1
Douglas Fir Lumber	327.1	- 8.8	-14.2
Southern Pine Lumber	281.2	-11.3	-11.5
Other Softwood Lumber	337.5	-11.3	-17.2
Hardwood Lumber	254.4	- 1.6	- 2.3
Millwork	256.6	- 3.1	- 3.2
Softwood Plywood	250.2	-15.0	-25.1
Hardwood Plywood	176.3	- 0.3	+ 8.2
Wood Household Furniture	216.1	+ 1.2	+11.4
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products	246.5	+ 2.0	+14.9
Steel Mill Products	304.1	+ 2.9	+10.6
Aluminum Shapes	266.5	+ 2.5	+ 9.0
Concrete Products	273.0	+ 1.6	+13.8
Structural Clay Products	234.4	+ 1.3	+ 9.1

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CURRENT MONTHLY DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY REGIONS

	April 1980			April 30, 1980	
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks
	(Million Board Feet)				
SOFTWOOD LUMBER:					
Southern Pine Region	425	456	441	486	1273
Douglas Fir Region	449	516	539	565	991
Western Pine Region	563	569	572	367	1422
California Redwood Region	121	133	135	130	435
Other Softwoods	99	107	108	236	277
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	1657	1781	1795	1784	4398
% Change - Mar. 1980	-27.7	-10.7	-1.9	+0.8	-2.7
% Change - Apr. 1979	-34.6	-29.4	-27.5	-25.0	+4.4
HARDWOOD LUMBER:					
Southern Hardwood Region	282	268	260	243	630
Appalachian Hardwood Region	104	93	89	*	*
Other Hardwoods	214	201	194	103	741
TOTAL HARDWOODS	600	562	543	346	1371
% Change - Mar. 1980	-7.1	-5.5	-6.7	-5.2	+2.9
% Change - Apr. 1979	+1.7	-2.4	-2.9	-30.7	+59.2
TOTAL LUMBER	2257	2343	2338	2130	5769
% Change - Mar. 1980	-23.2	-9.5	-3.0	-0.2	-1.5
% Change - Apr. 1979	-27.8	-24.4	-23.0	-26.3	+13.7
* Included in Other Hardwoods					
FLOORING:	(Thousand Board Feet)				
Oak Flooring Region	---	5310	---	3488	10505
Maple Flooring Region	1856	1573	1600	9083	2064
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD:	(Thousand Square Feet 3/8" Basis)				
Total All Regions	1,020,012	1,001,909	1,069,700	628,054	319,584
% Change - Mar. 1980	-31.0	-17.4	+8.3	+12.1	-17.3
% Change - Apr. 1979	-40.6	-41.9	-37.9	-45.4	-13.9

* Included in Other Hardwoods.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

PRODUCTION

	Apr. '80	Percent Change From Mar.'80	Percent Change From Apr.'79
	(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine Reg .	4876	-34.8	-36.1
Douglas Fir Reg . .	5117	-29.0	-40.4
Western Pine Reg. .	6267	-19.3	-30.3
Calif. Redwood Reg.	1287	-15.6	-22.9
Other Softwoods . .	1139	-26.5	-34.9
Total Softwoods .	18686	-26.8	-34.7
Total Hardwoods .	7024	-10.3	+1.7
TOTAL LUMBER. .	25710	-22.9	-27.6

SHIPMENTS

	Apr.'80	Percent Change From Mar.'80	Percent Change From Apr.'79
	(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine Reg .	5221	-13.9	-30.3
Douglas Fir Reg . .	5739	-10.9	-32.4
Western Pine Reg. .	6472	-6.9	-28.8
Calif. Redwood Reg.	1419	+8.7	-14.2
Other Softwoods . .	1192	-11.2	-29.1
Total Softwoods .	20043	-9.3	-29.4
Total Hardwoods .	6398	-7.8	-2.4
TOTAL LUMBER. .	26441	-9.0	-24.4

YEAR-TO-DATE DOMESTIC LUMBER PRODUCTION AND TRADE STATISTICS

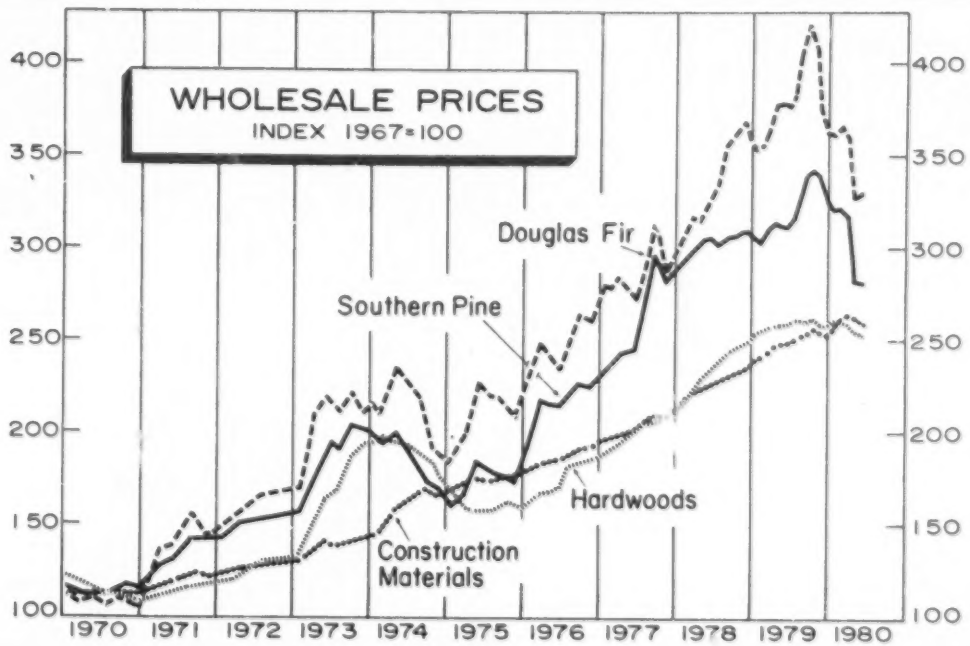
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)		
Total Lumber - 4 mos. '80	10924	10497	10417
Total Lumber - 4 mos. '79	12226	11945	12258
% Change.	-10.6	-12.1	-15.0
Softwood Lumber - 4 mos. '80	8381	8154	8107
Softwood Lumber - 4 mos. '79	9879	9663	10045
% Change.	-15.2	-15.6	-19.3
Hardwood Lumber - 4 mos. '80	2543	2343	2310
Hardwood Lumber - 4 mos. '79	2347	2282	2213
% Change.	+8.4	+2.7	+4.4

FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS

	Apr. '80	Percent Change From Mar. '80	Percent Change From Apr. '79	4 mos.'80	Percent Change From 4 mos. '79
		(Million Board Feet)			
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER IMPORTS	655.0	- 27.0	- 29.2	3,202.7	- 11.3
Softwoods	623.6	- 28.3	- 30.8	3,074.1	- 12.0
From Canada	621.7	- 28.5	- 30.8	3,062.2	- 11.9
Other Sources	1.9	+ 89.1	- 42.1	11.9	- 25.3
Hardwoods	26.7	+ 6.1	+ 16.1	118.1	+ 3.1
From Canada	6.4	- 18.8	- 4.0	27.8	- 0.4
Other Sources	20.3	+ 17.5	+ 24.4	90.3	+ 4.2
Other (not specified)	4.7	+ 98.3	+239.3	10.6	+151.8
TOTAL U.S. LUMBER EXPORTS	245.7	- 11.4	+ 40.4	873.9	+ 31.1
Softwoods	199.2	- 14.0	+ 35.8	702.9	+ 26.0
Hardwoods	36.7	+ 0.5	+ 48.9	135.1	+ 39.2
Other (not specified)	9.8	+ 5.6	+171.8	35.9	+209.3
TOTAL EXPORTS TO CANADA	59.9	- 17.4	+ 9.6	242.8	+ 19.1

CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING STATISTICS

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Apr. '80	Mar. '80	Apr. '79	4 mos.'80	4 mos.'79
Value of all NEW CONSTRUCTION		(Millions of Dollars)			
Put in Place	17600	+5.0	+2.7	66370	+9.9
Private	13659	+3.5	-0.7	52074	+6.9
Residential	6752	+5.1	-11.8	25699	-3.0
Nonresidential & Other	6907	+1.9	+13.2	26375	+18.6
Public	3941	+10.8	+16.7	14297	+22.3
	May '80	Apr. '80	May '79	5 mos.'80	5 mos.'79
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED		(Thousands of Units)			
Total Private & Public Starts	92.3	-5.4	-51.2	430.0	-36.5
New Private Starts	91.9	-5.5	-51.4	427.2	-36.8
Seasonally Adjusted Annual Rates	920	-11.5	-48.9		
One-Family Housing Starts	63.4	+2.6	-51.7	276.1	-42.4
(Proportion of Total Starts)	68.7			64.2	
	Apr. '80	May '80	Apr. '79	4 mos.'80	4 mos.'79
BUILDING PERMITS AUTHORIZED		(Millions of Dollars)			
All Private Construction	7370	+9.2	-19.3	26812	-9.3
New Housing Units	2913	-6.5	-43.9	11627	-28.3
New Nonresidential	2883	+37.5	-1.0	9518	-5.1
Additions and alterations	1506	+3.9	+63.3	5324	+76.5
		(Number of Units)			
Shipments of MOBILE HOMES	18200	-5.2	-26.6	74300	-13.9



ECONOMIC INDICATORS

U. S. LUMBER CONSUMPTION	CURRENT			YEAR - TO - DATE	
	Latest Period Available	% Change From		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	QI '80	QIV '79	QI '79	3 mos. '80	3 mos. '79
	(Million Board Feet)				
Total	10072	-5.3	-8.8	10072	-8.8
Softwoods	8320	-7.2	-10.7	8320	-10.7
Hardwoods	1752	+5.0	+1.9	1752	+1.9

Total EMPLOYMENT - (Seasonally Adjusted)	May '80	% Change From Apr. '80	% Change From May '79
	(Thousands of Employees)		
All Industries	90328	-0.2	+1.0
All Manufacturing Industries	20328	-1.3	-3.5
Lumber and Wood Products	658	-3.5	-13.6
Furniture and Fixtures	465	-2.5	-4.5

WHOLESALE PRICES	May '80	% Change From Apr. '80	% Change From May '79
	(Index - 1967 = 100)		
All Commodities	263.7	+0.5	+13.9
All Construction Materials	261.4	-0.3	+4.5
Lumber and Wood Products	271.6	-1.3	-10.3
All Lumber	301.3	-2.8	-15.1
Softwood Lumber	312.5	-3.4	-17.8
Douglas Fir Lumber	329.6	+0.8	-13.7
Southern Pine Lumber	280.1	-0.4	-11.3
Other Softwood Lumber	314.5	-6.8	-22.7
Hardwood Lumber	252.4	-0.8	-3.4
Millwork	250.9	-2.2	-4.1
Softwood Plywood	274.3	+9.6	-14.1
Hardwood Plywood	176.3	0	+3.1
Wood Household Furniture	217.1	+0.5	+10.7
Pulp, Paper and Allied Products	248.9	+1.0	+15.3
Steel Mill Products	305.5	+0.5	+10.4
Aluminum Shapes	265.7	-0.3	+7.8
Concrete Products	275.0	+0.7	+14.0
Structural Clay Products	229.5	-2.1	+6.4

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